BNL at the Intensity Frontier: Accelerator Neutrinos

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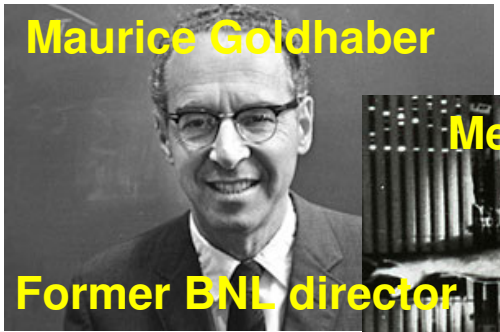
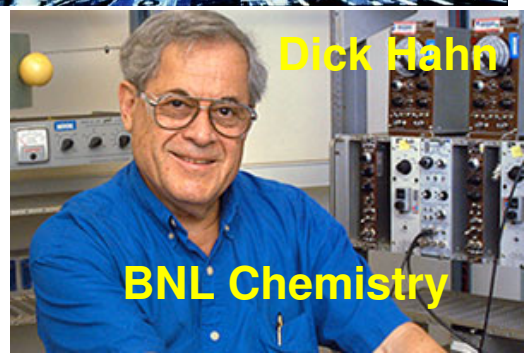
Neutrino History at BNL





1957
Neutrino helicity discovered

1962
Discovery of neutrino flavor (1988 Nobel)

1960's–1980's
Solar neutrino disappearance at Homestake (2002 Nobel)

1987
Supernova neutrinos in IMB

1990's–mid 2000
GALLEX
SNO: Proof of neutrino flavor oscillations

Long Baseline Neutrino Oscillations at BNL

April 1995:

Long Baseline Neutrino Oscillation Experiment at the AGS
Approved by the HENPAC as AGS Experiment 889 Report No.
BNL-52459, April 1995

D. Beavis, A. Carroll, I. Chiang, M. Diwan †, J. Frank, S. Kahn,
*M. Marx *, S. McCorkle, M. Murtagh, J. Sondericker III, H. Takai, P. Yamin*
Brookhaven National Laboratory, Long Island, NY

with UCSB, LSU, Louisiana Tech, U. Montreal, UNM, U.Penn, Southern University, UT Austin, TRIUMF, Valparaiso, Yale.

E889 introduces the off-axis concept

Feb-April 1995: MINOS Proposal P-875 at Fermilab

Nothing happens.....

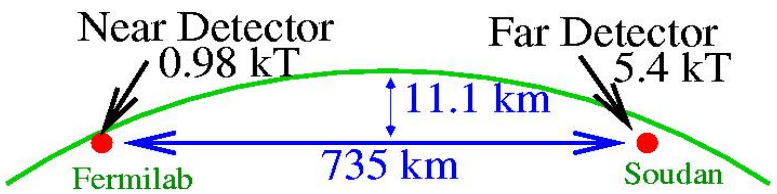
2000: SuperK demonstrates atm ν_μ oscillations

2000: U.S. decides to mount long baseline neutrino experiment

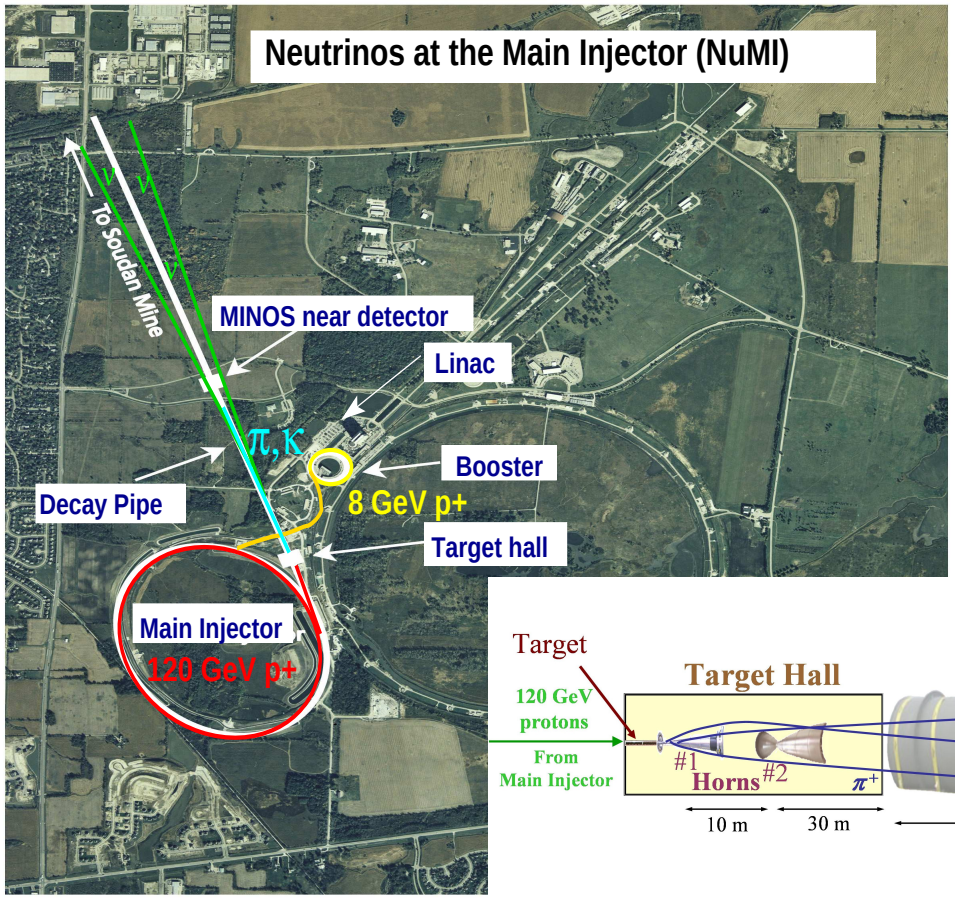
2000: BNL joins MINOS

The NuMI/MINOS Accelerator ν_μ Experiment.

Observe $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance, ν_e appereance, atmospheric $\nu/\bar{\nu}$ oscillations, search for ν_s

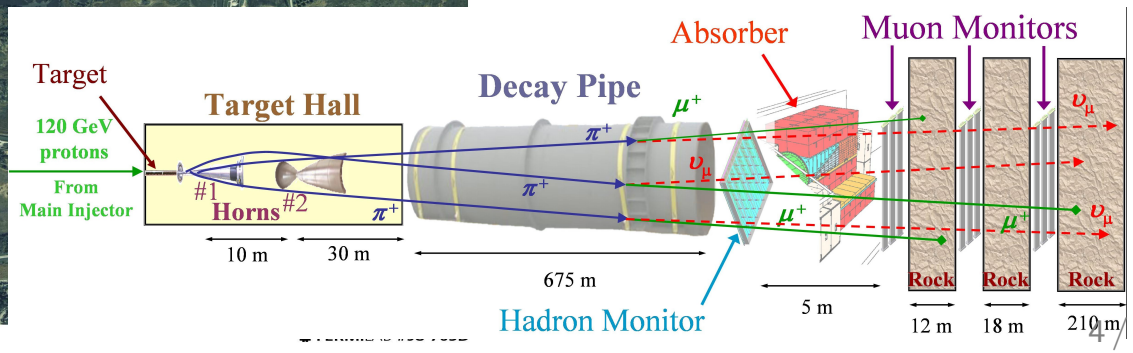


Fermi Natl. Lab., IL **Soudan Underground Lab, MN**



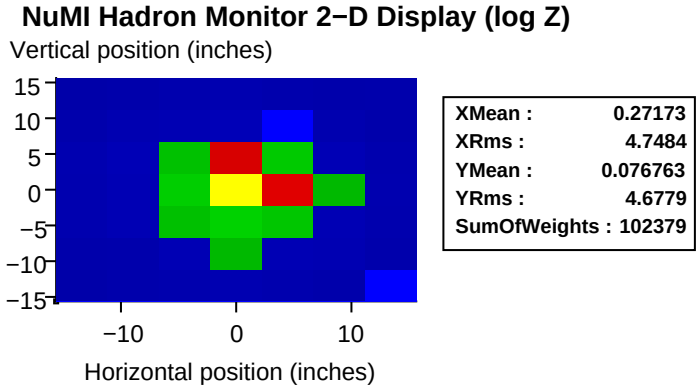
NuMI Horn 2 inner conductor
Radial field, B $\propto$ 1/r

3T at 200 kA

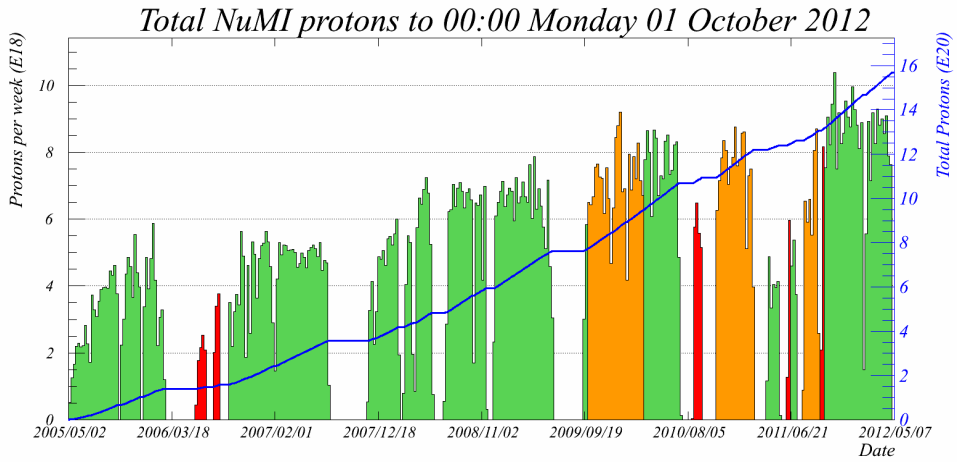


MINOS 2005-2012

First pulses in NuMI recorded by the online JAS-based NuMI monitoring software developed by Mary Bishai, BNL:



MINOS running 2005-2012:

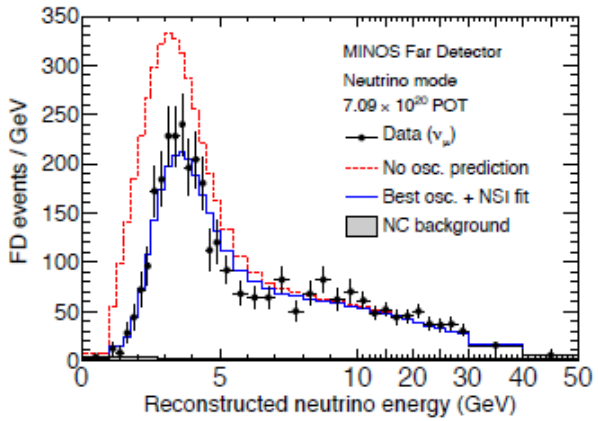


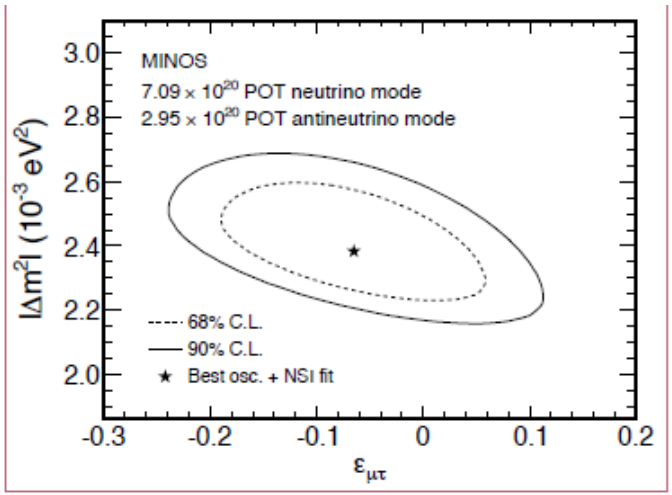
M. Bishai, M. Dierckxsens, B. Viren at BNL developed online NuMI-MINOS beam data logging and monitoring: NuMI spill-by-spill data incoporated into MINOS offline analysis, for absolute proton-on-target normalization, and beam data quality selection

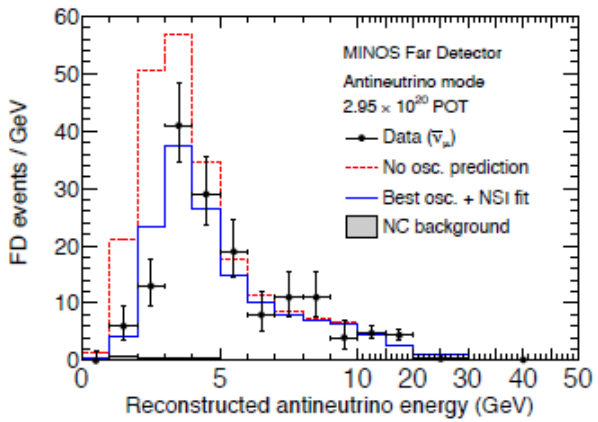
BNL People and Activities 2010-2013

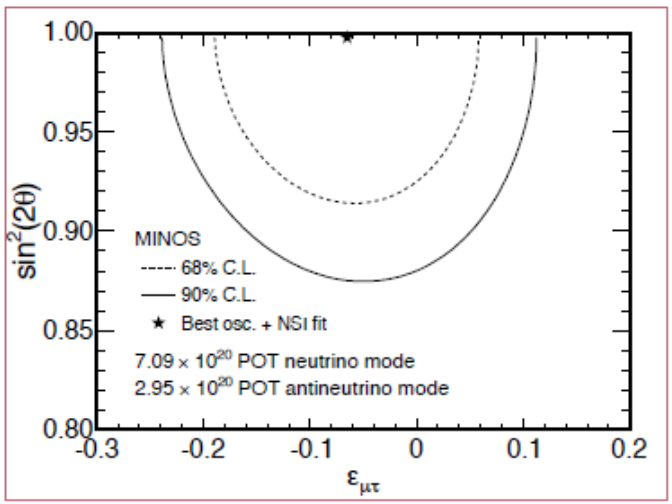
Person	MINOS activities
Mary Bishai, Physicist	Beam systematics co-convener 2009-2011
Milind Diwan, Physicist	Former ν_e analysis co-convener 2005-2008 MINOS internal reviewer.
David Jaffe, Physicist	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$ oscillation analysis. 2005-2009 MINOS internal reviewer.
Brett Viren, Physicist	Beam data software development 2005-2011
Lisa Whitehead, postdoc	ν_e analysis co-convener 2010-present 2010 ν_μ analysis internal reviewer. Joined U. Houston faculty Aug 2011
Jiajie Ling, postdoc	ν_μ flux measurements, ν_e particle ID optimization. joined Aug 2010
Zeynep Isvan, postdoc	Leads non-standard interactions anaylsis joined Jan 2012

Latest results on Non-Standard Interactions: Z. Isvan (BNL)









- Three-parameter fit, incorporates systematics as penalty terms
- Submitted to PRL in March, arXiv: 1303.5314

$$\varepsilon_{\mu\tau} = -0.07 \pm 0.08$$

- Δm^2, $\sin^2 2\theta$ consistent with standard oscillation results.

MINOS+ Proposal 2011

DocDB-7923
May 13, 2011

MINOS+

A Proposal to FNAL to run MINOS with the medium energy NuMI beam

The MINOS+ Collaboration

G. Tzanakos
University of Athens, Athens, Greece

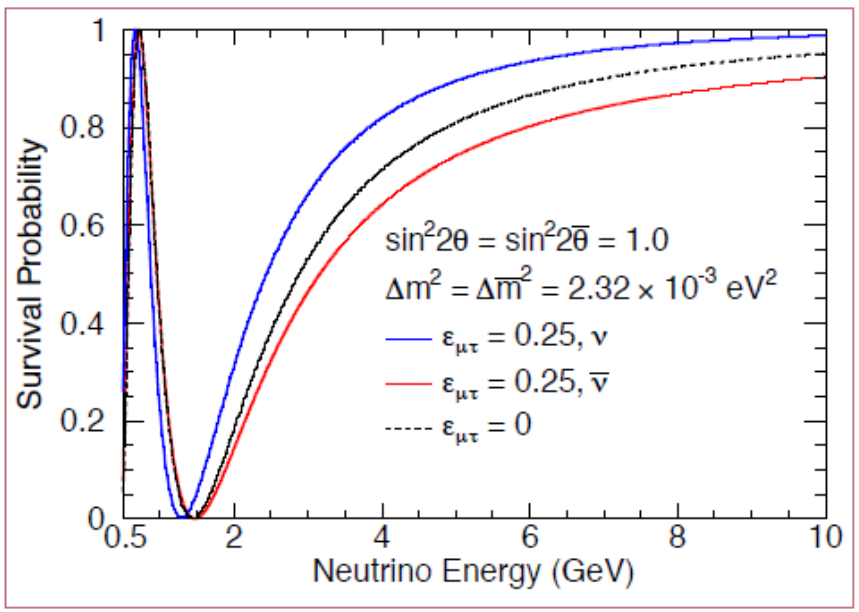
M. Bishai, M. Diwan
Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, New York 11973, USA

in addition to many of the MINOS collaboration

NSIs and MINOS+

Z. Isvan

- MINOS detectors will keep collecting data during NOvA operation.
- NuMI 'medium energy' beam ~5GeV
- Detectors are on axis and see a wide band.
- First two years, neutrino-mode: 10×10^{20} POT neutrino mode; antineutrino mode running to follow.
- With this data MINOS+ can improve standard oscillation results and NSI limits.

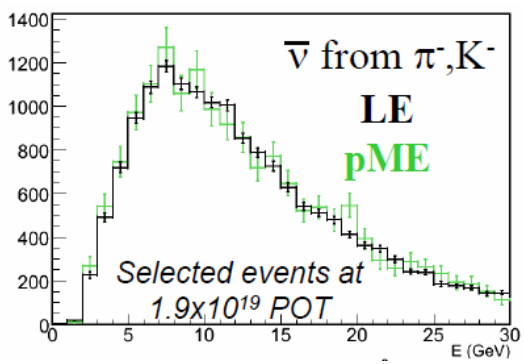


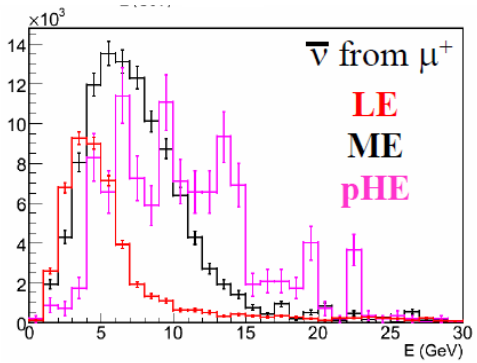
Measuring the beam ν_e using $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ in MINOS+

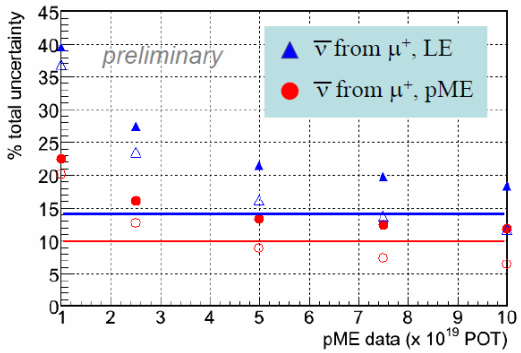
Technique developed by D. Jaffe (BNL) and P. Ochoa (Caltech) for MIN

- **The beam ν_e contamination in conventional ν_μ beams ultimately limits the sensitivity of ν_e appearance experiments.**
- **The ν_e contamination in the MINOS and LBNE signal region comes from $\pi^+ \rightarrow \nu_\mu \mu^+$ $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \bar{\nu}_\mu$**
- **Constraining the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ from μ constrains the beam ν_e flux.**

Difference in $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ between LE and pME are dominated by the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ from μ





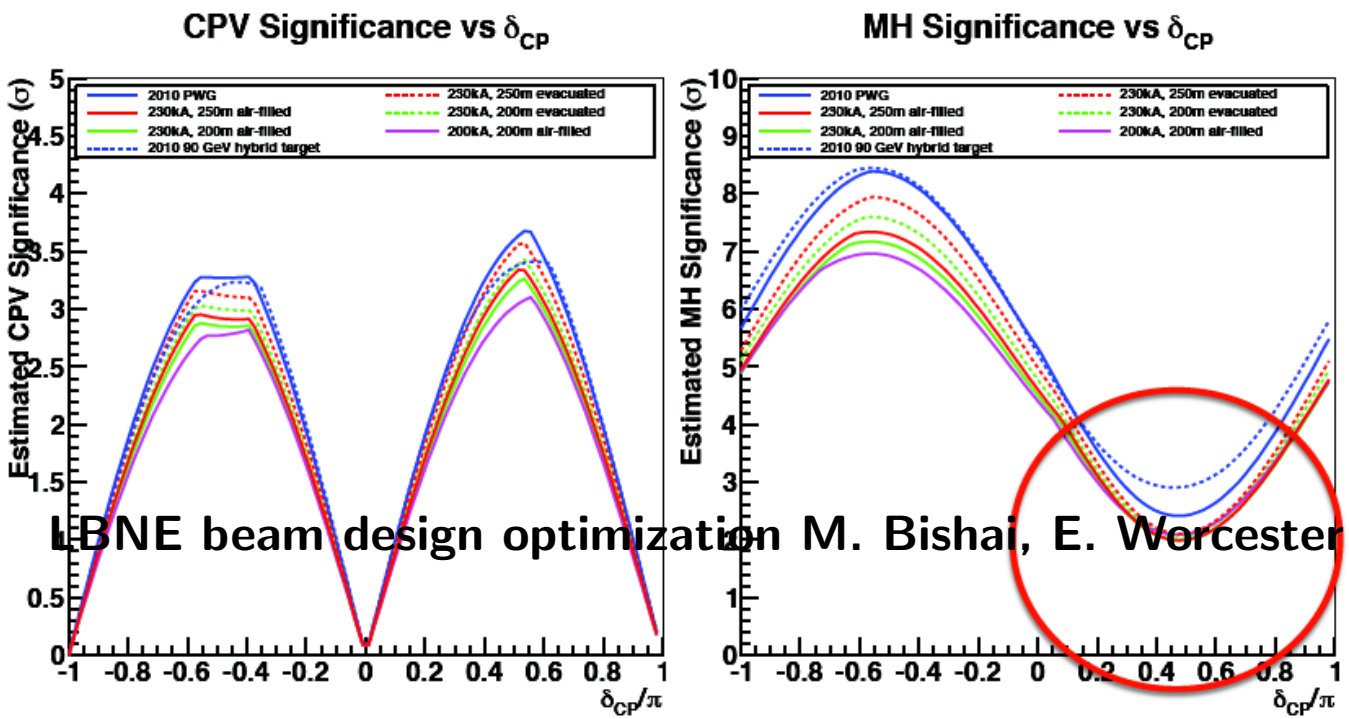


MINOS+ = enough ME stats. for a $< 20\%$ measurement of ν_e from μ^+

Will provide valuable info for constraining LBNE beam ν_e bkgd.

MINOS+ and LBNE

- **NuMI is the model for the LBNE beamline. Continue studies of the NuMI performance and beam systematics with the MINOS ND for LBNE optimization. Explore the impact of lowering the Main Injector beam energy on the neutrino spectrum:**



LBNE beam design optimization M. Bishai, E. Worcester

*90 GeV beam (with hybrid target) improves MH sensitivity for $\delta_{CP} > 0$ with small loss of CPV sensitivity

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MINOS Summary

- **The BNL MINOS group has been involved in a wide variety of successful MINOS analysis efforts: $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ oscillation, $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ appearance search, measurement of the atmospheric ν_e flux in the FD, beam modeling systematics.**
- **The BNL MINOS group in collaboration with other local experts and utilizing unique BNL facilities are providing critical information for understanding MINOS beam data.**
- **We are acting as consultants for other NuMI based neutrino experiments on NuMI beam simulations, beam data monitoring and logging.**
- **The BNL MINOS group's expertise on NuMI/MINOS analysis and beam simulations has been critical in producing the first LBNE beam designs and making the physics case.**
- **Continuing involvement in MINOS+ will allow us to continue extracting useful information for optimizing LBNE designs and to play a leading role in the MINOS+ non-standard interaction analysis.**

BNL MINOS/MINOS+ effort is severely undermanned!

Development of Massive LAr TPC Technologies at BNL

LAr Generic Detector R&D - building on 40 yrs of LAr detector technologies at BNL cold electronics development, TPC construction, scalable designs, study of fundamental LAr properties, device prototyping

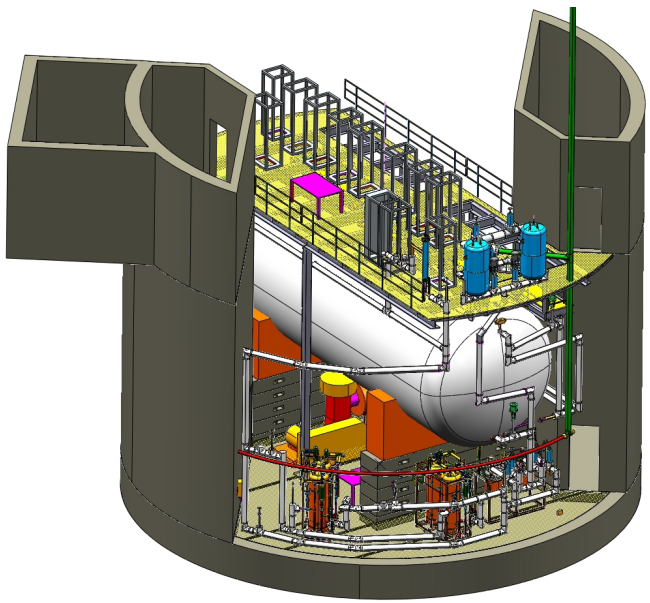
MicroBooNE accelerator ν experiment: short baseline experiment at the Booster Neutrino Beamline at FNAL to measure neutrino cross-sections, resolve the MiniBooNE low-excess. Detector design and construction led by BNL.

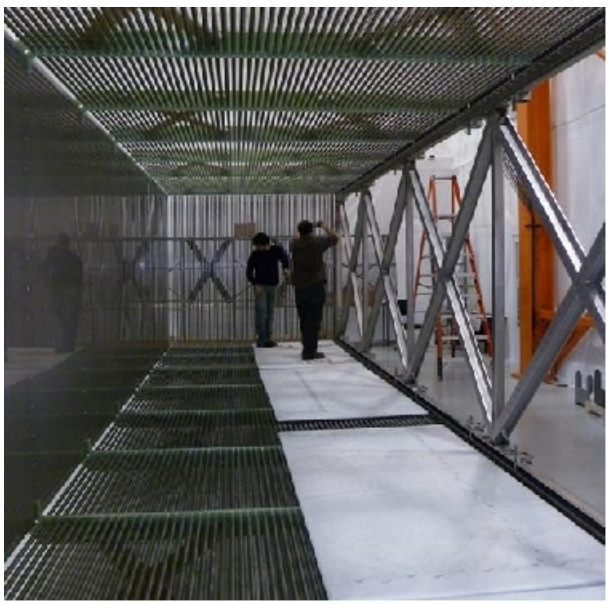
Large ($\geq$ 10 kton) LAr TPC for LBNE. Mass hierarchy, CP violation, proton decay, supernova, atmospheric neutrinos.

The MicroBooNE Experiment

circa 2007: A LAr-TPC at the FNAL booster neutrino beam concieved by W. Willis (Columbia), D. Lissauer (BNL), B. Fleming (yale).

CD-0 Oct 2009, CD-1 June 2010, CD-2/3a Sep 2011, CD-3b March 2012

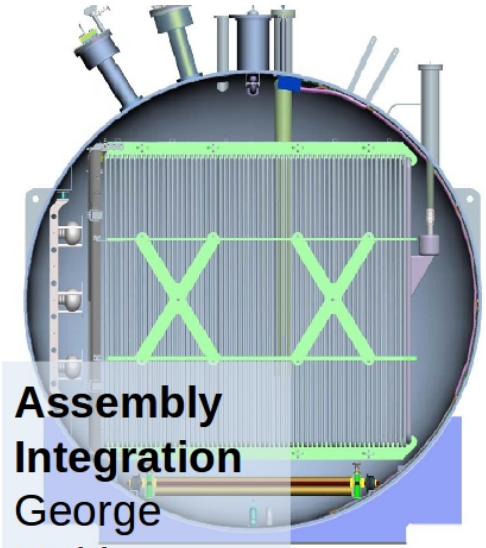




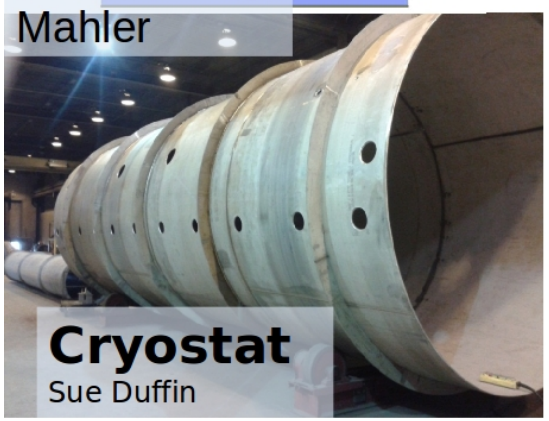
19 Institutions in 3 countries: Italy, Switzerland, USA. 3 US National Labs. 12 US Research Universities. 2 All-undergraduate Universities.

MicroBooNE Personnel at BNL: H. Chen, S. Duffin, J. Farrell, F. Lanni, D. Lissauer, G. Mahler, D. Makowiecki, J. Mead, V. Radeka, S. Rescia, J. Sondericker, C. Thorn, B. Yu, Y. Li.

The BNL Team on MicroBoooNE

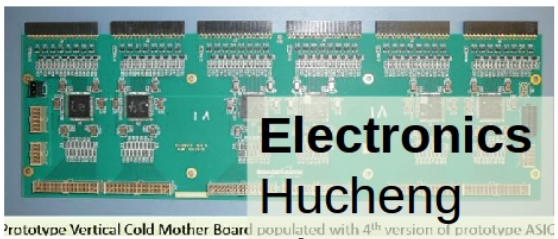


Assembly Integration
George Mahler



Cryostat
Sue Duffin

MicroBooNE: detector



Electronics
Hucheng Chen

BNL Project Responsibilities

TPC
Bo Yu

Craig Thorn Deputy Project Manager - Active Detector

Also: Jason Farrell Designer, cryostat and electronics
Andres Ruga Designer, TPC
Yichen Li Postdoc, electron & photon transport

Recent Results from BNL MicroBooNE Team

Cryostat

- Vessel delivery by 3/5/2013 per vendor
- Foam supports bid package near complete

TPC

- Assembled at FNAL
- Small fixes/modifications in progress

Readout Electronics

- 2000 front-end ASICs at BNL
  - Warm testing of more than 600 (of ~900 needed)
  - 90% acceptance
  - Cold testing (99% acceptance)
- All cold and warm electronics boards are in production

Assembly Integration

- TPC cart in fabrication
- PMT cart in fabrication

MicroBoooNE Future Plans at BNL

The BNL group plans to capatilize on its large institutional investment in MicroBooNE by expanding the scientific effort with the involvement of additional scientific staff and postdocs:

Commisioning/Operations activities 2013-2014

- **LAr properties R&D: (Harry Themann), Craig Thorn**
- **Electronics installation and commisioning: (Harry Themann)**
- **Operations: Yichen Li, (Harry Themann)**

Initiation of new effors on simulations and analusis:

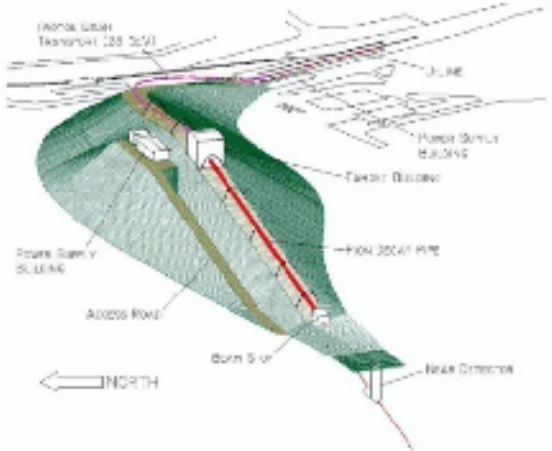
- **Incorporation of realistic transport/electronics response into simulation and reconstruction: Yichen Li, Craig Thorn**
- **Simulation of neutrino interactions and nuclear models: (Mary Bishai), (Xin Qian)**
- **Anti-neutrino interactions and cross-sections: (M. Bishai), (Z. Isvan).**
- **Study of cosmic ray backgrounds on the surface: C. Thorn, (M. Bishai), (X. Qian), (Z. Isvan).**

Note: names in parenthesis indicate BNL staff and postdoctoral effort that have expressed interest in participating in MicroBooNE. Participation of these individuals is contingent on collaboration approval.

Long Baseline Neutrino History at BNL

Proposal to HEPAP Future Facilities 2003:

Super Neutrino Beam (Proton Driver)
Brookhaven National Laboratory
Upton, NY 11973



Submitted to the
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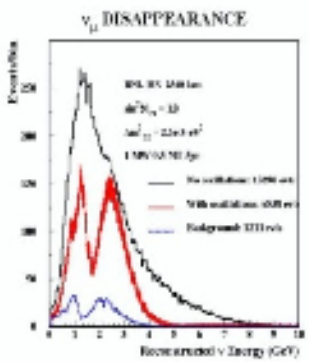
Subcommittee
15 February 2003



Joint BNL-FNAL U.S. Long Baseline Study 2007:

Fermilab-0801-AD-E
BNL-77973-2007-IR

Report of the US long baseline neutrino experiment study

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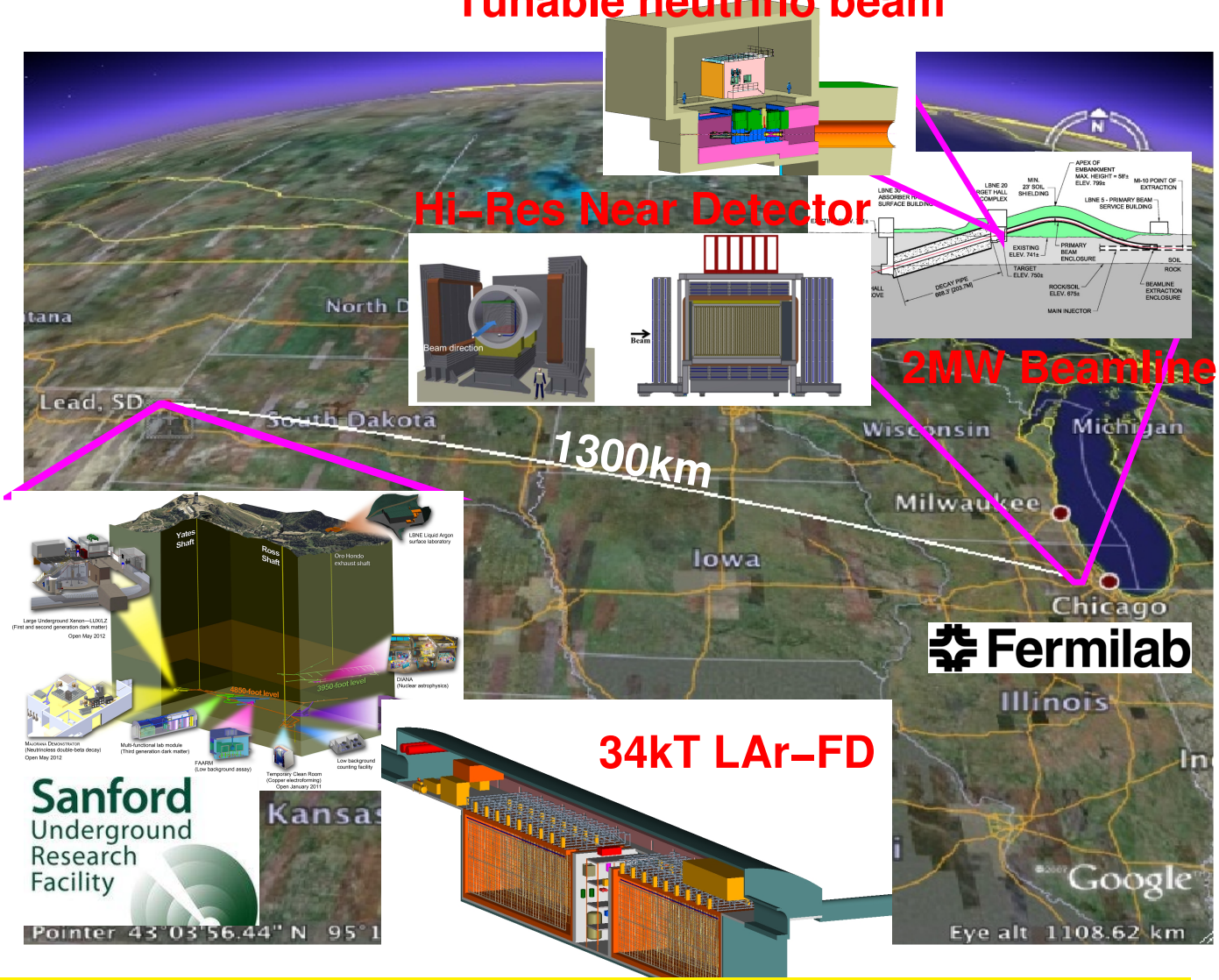
DOE CD 0 for long-baseline ν expt. $>$ 1000 km granted in 2009

The Long Baseline Neutrino Experiment. CD-1 for Phase I granted Dec 2012



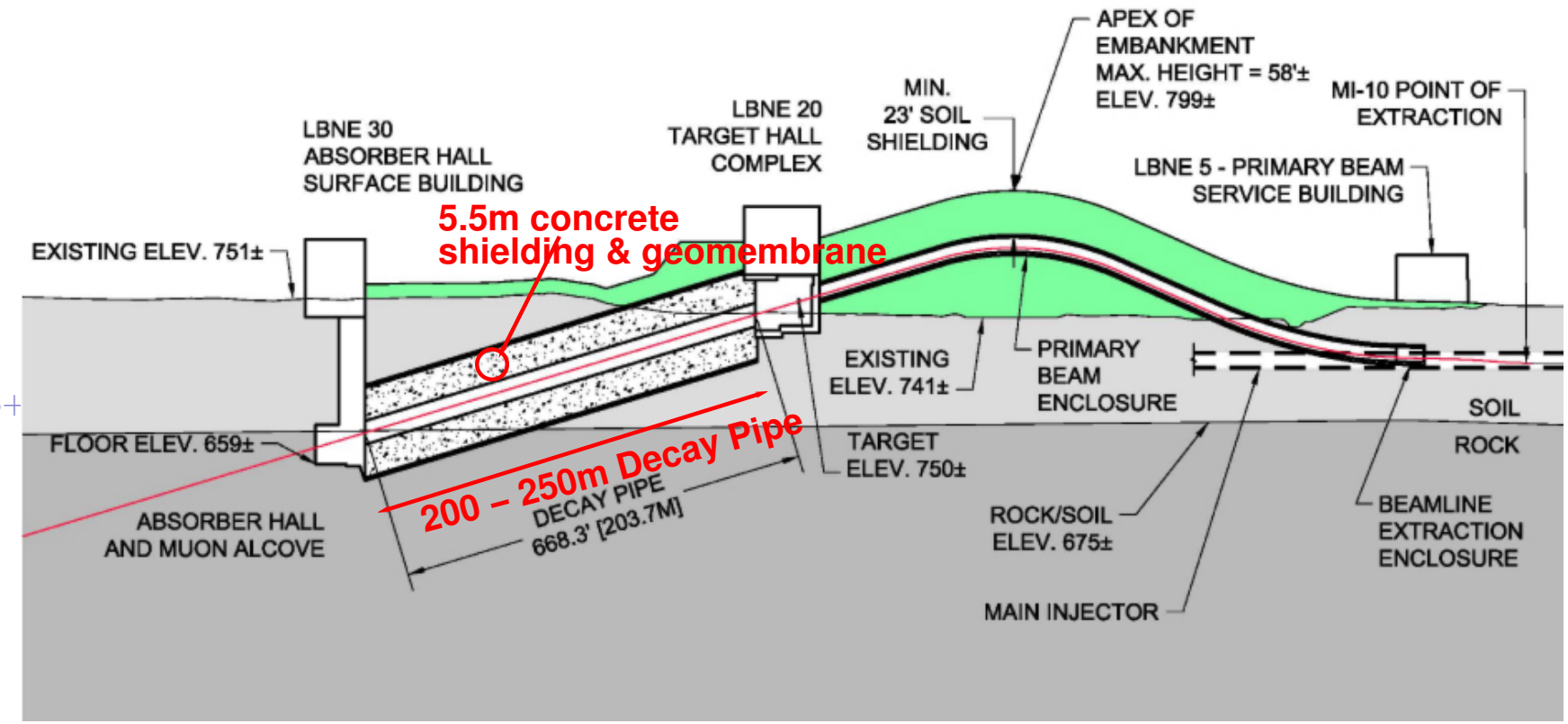
$\sim$ 350 people, 60 institutions from US, India, Italy, Japan, UK

LBNE at BNL

Senior Scientific Staff	
M. Diwan	Co-spokesperson
M. Bishai	Project Scientist, Physics Working Group, Beam Simulations co-convener
Jim Stewart	LAr-TPC Far Detector L2 Project Manager.
Craig Thorn, Bo Yu	L3s for cold electronics and TPC
V. Radeka	Former head of ID, cold electronics developer
M. Potekhin, B. Viren	LBNE software infrastructure and simulation
N. Simos	Former BNL lab director, senior advisor to the BNL project
B. Marciano	Neutrino theory, key theoretical concepts
S. Kettell	Water Cherenkov Detector CDR editor
R. Hackenburg	35 ton prototype development
M. Yeh (chemistry)	LAr properties, cleanliness
Research Associates	
E. Worcester	Physics capabilities studies and LBNE reconfiguration
Z. Isvan	Beam simulations, 35 ton simulations
J. Ling	WCD PMT mechanical studies
C. Zhang, J. Ling	Study of mass hierarchy sensitivities
X. Qian (new hire)	LAr physics sensitivities, nuclear effects
Y. Li, H. Themann	fundemantal LAr properties R&D
H. Chen	Cold electronics development
Technical/Project Staff	
J. Dolph	LBNE Systems Engineer
P. Novakova	Project controls specialist
R. Sharma	TPC static analysis, field cage development, WCD PMT mechanical R&D
Mahler, A. Ruge	Lead TPC field cage development
De Geronimo, S. Li, J. Fried	
N. Nambiar, E. Vernon	Instrumentation division cold electronics development
N. Samios	Proton target irradiation R&D, PMT mechanical simulations
A. Marneris (EE intern)	PMT testing, LAr properties R&D
R. Gill	safety and ES&H
K. Sexton	WCD PMT mechanical tests
+ 21 more active personnel	

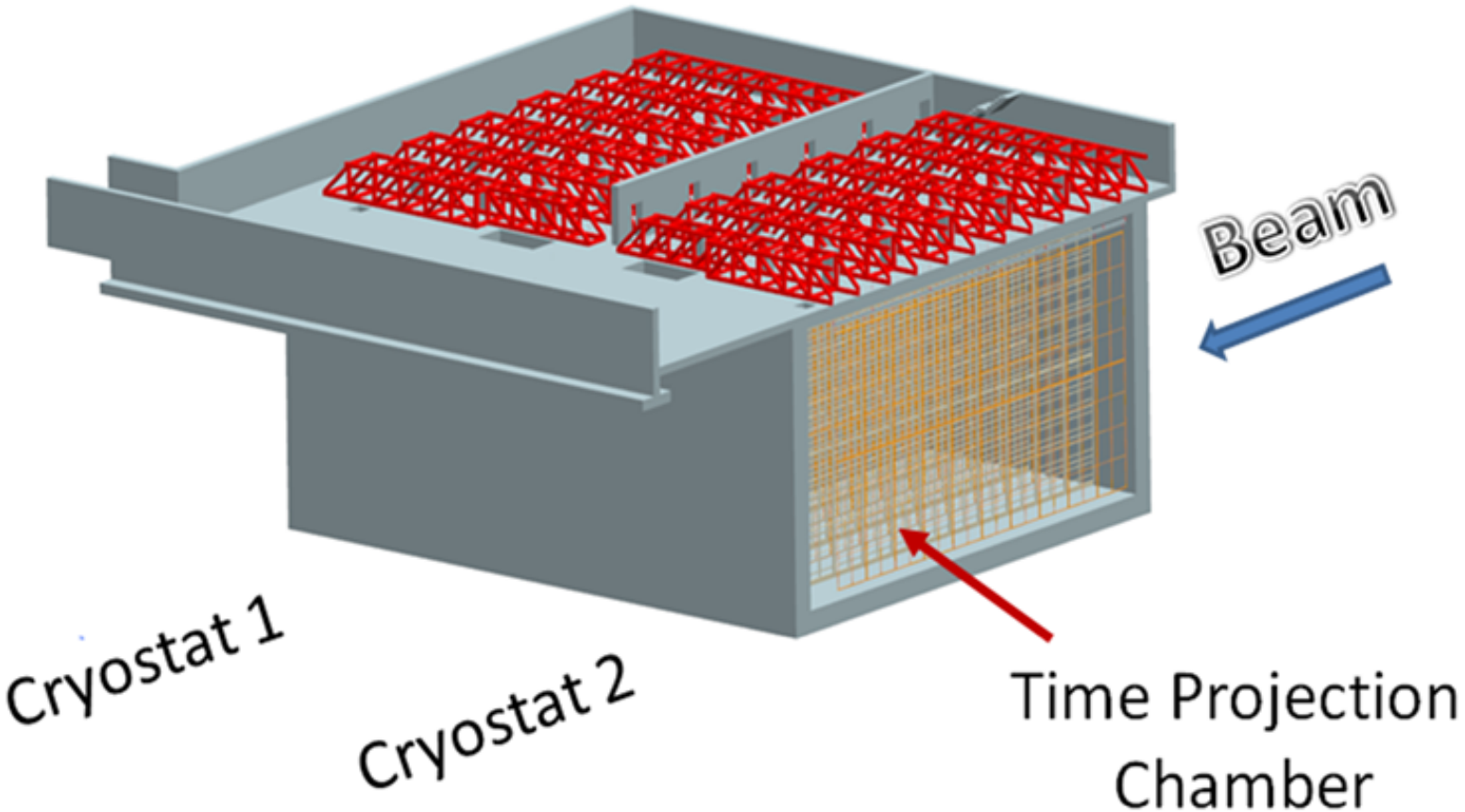
The LBNE Beamline

Novel beam-on-a-hill construction for 2.3MW from 60-120GeV



The beam-on-hill concept first proposed by BNL. **NuMI based focusing design and optimized decay pipe geometry for LBNE developed by M. Bishai (and summer interns) working with FNAL team. Proton target material irradiation studies at BLIP facility : N. Simos with FNAL team**

Conceptual design of CD1 10 kTon

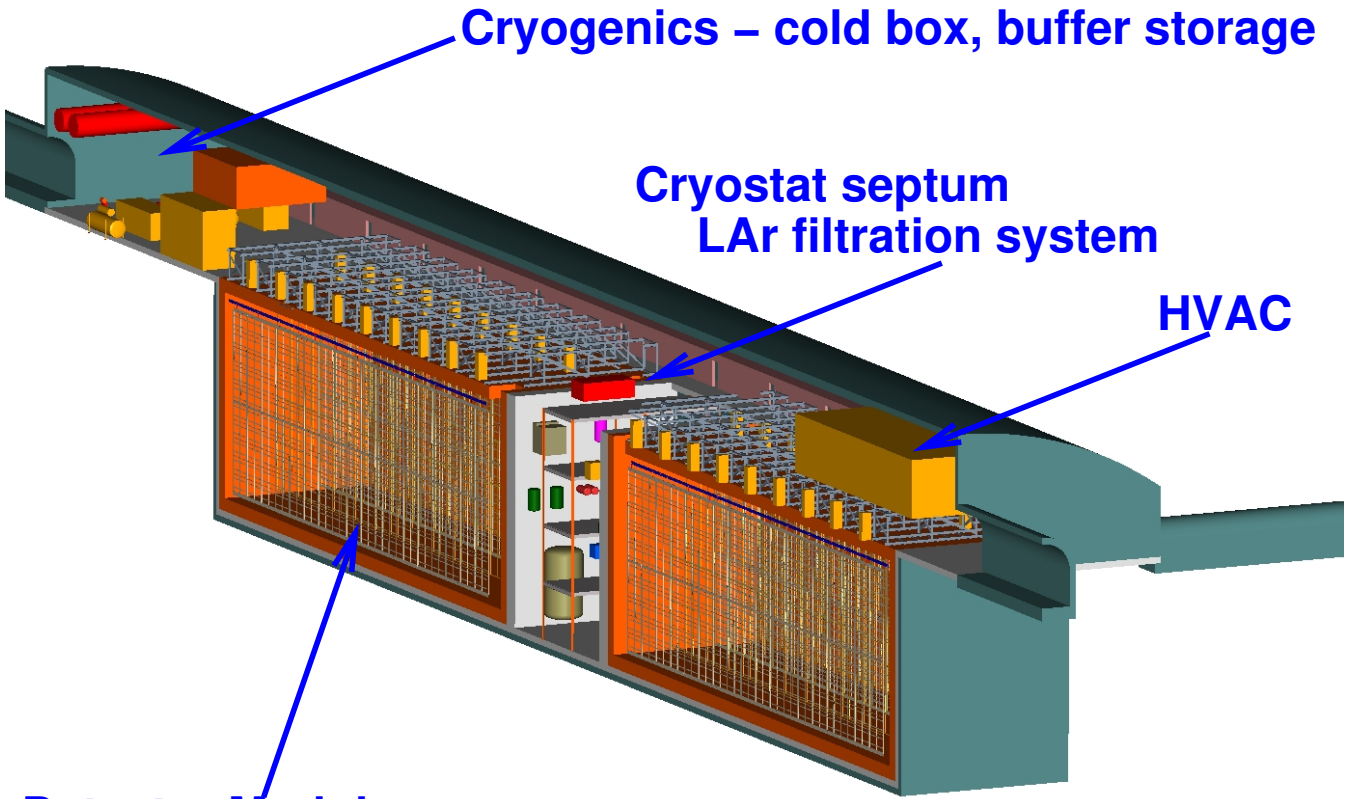


Jim Stewart: L2 project manager for far detector

Craig Thorn: L3 for FD electronics

Bo Yu: L3 for TPC

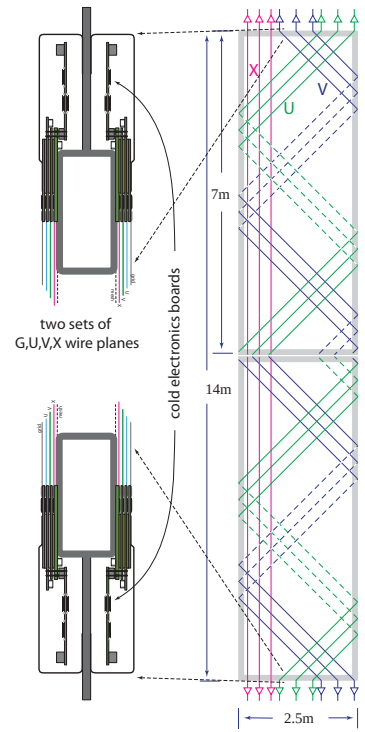
Conceptual design of 35 kTon Underground Detector

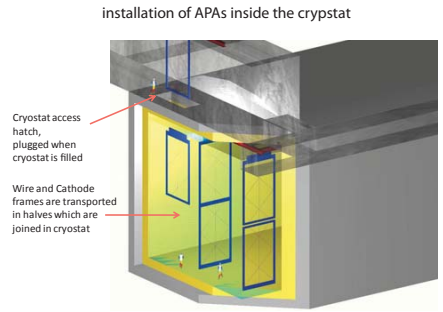


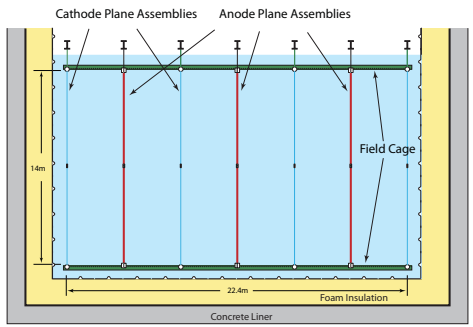
BNL modular TPC designs scaled up to LBNE full FD design

Modular TPC Development at BNL

Modular TPC arrays concieved at BNL enables large scale detectors in one cryostat.







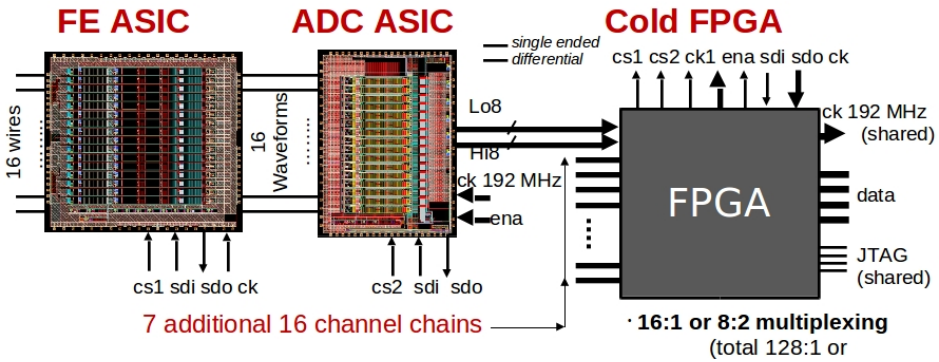
Bo Yu: L3 TPC Manager

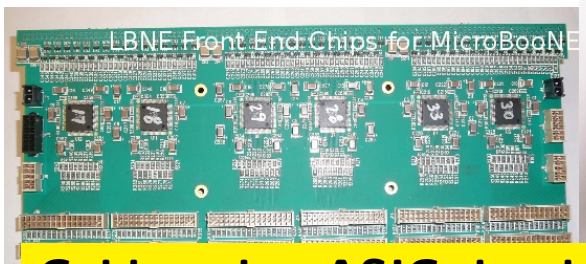
BNL leads field cage development: R. Sharma (ME), G. Mahler (ME) and A. Ruga (MD)

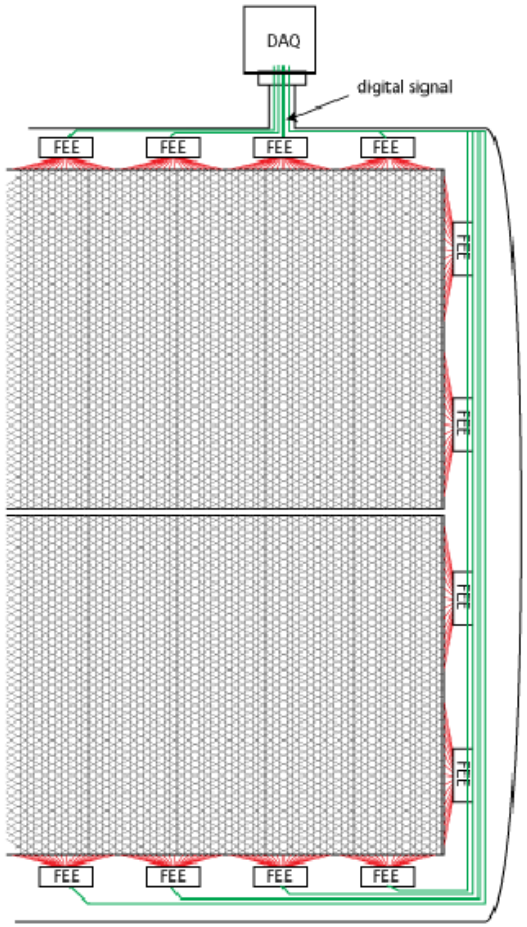
TPC static analysis: R. Sharma

Cold Electronics for LBNE

Cryogenic highly multiplexed electronics with few digital output lines = reduced penetrations, enables modular TPC arrays with feedthroughs decoupled from electronics location.





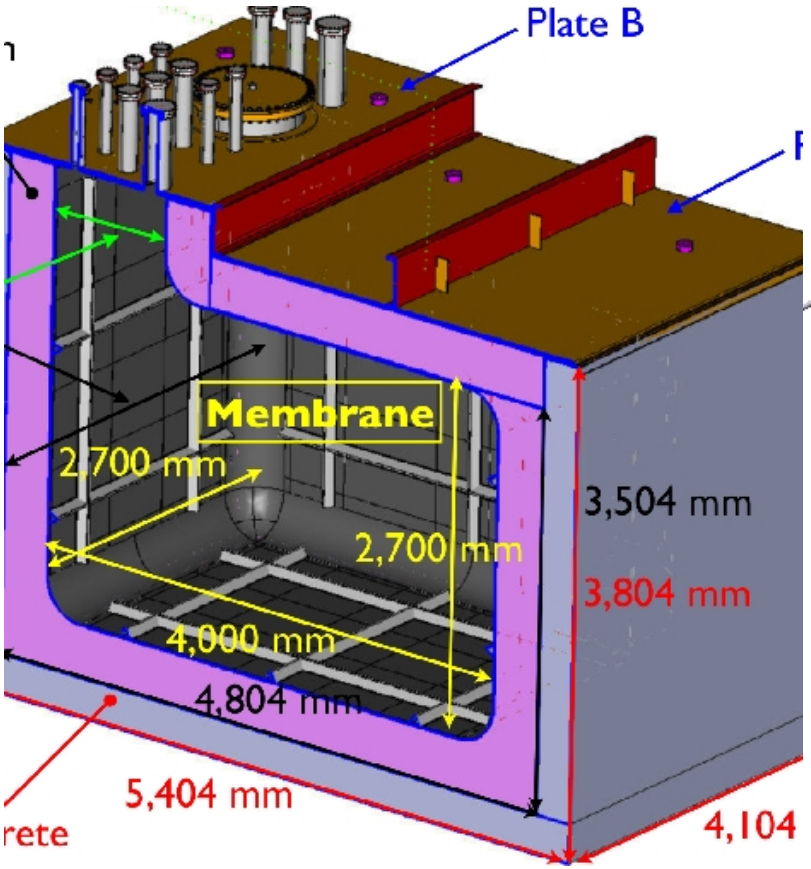


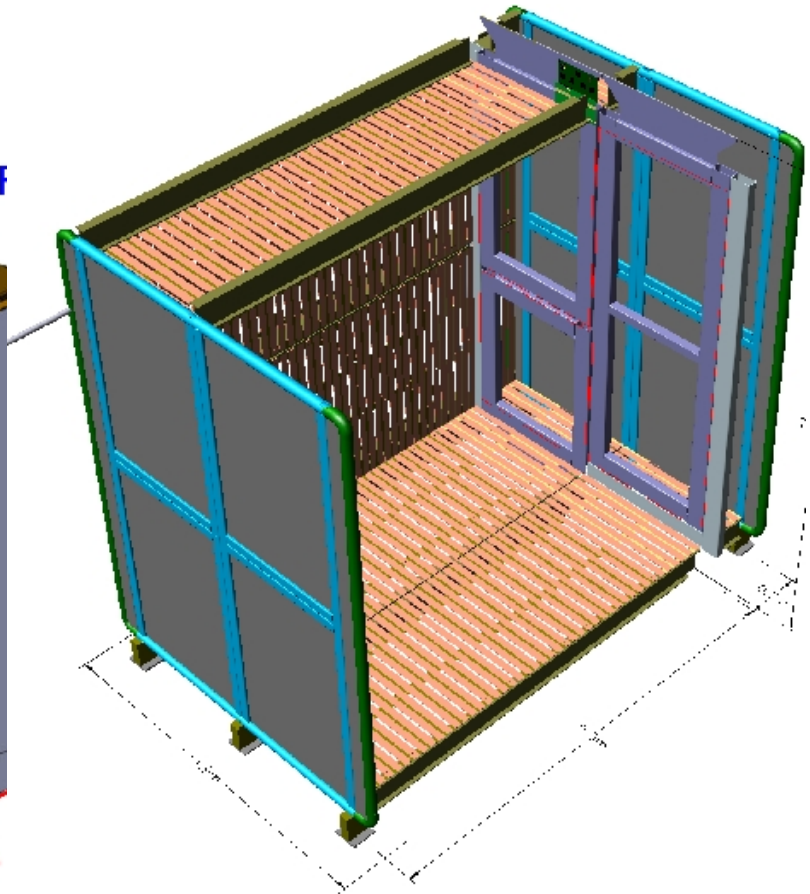
Cold analog ASIC development at BNL critical for LBNE

GOAL: produce FEE+ADC+FPGA test board this summer

BNL Instrumentation: V. Radeka, G. De Geronimo, S. Li, N. Nambiar, J. Fried, E. Vernon. BNL Physics: H. Chen, C. Thorn

LBNE 35 Ton Prototype. Ready for data with cosmics 2014-15





BNL responsible for TPC oversight, field cage construction and cold electronics.

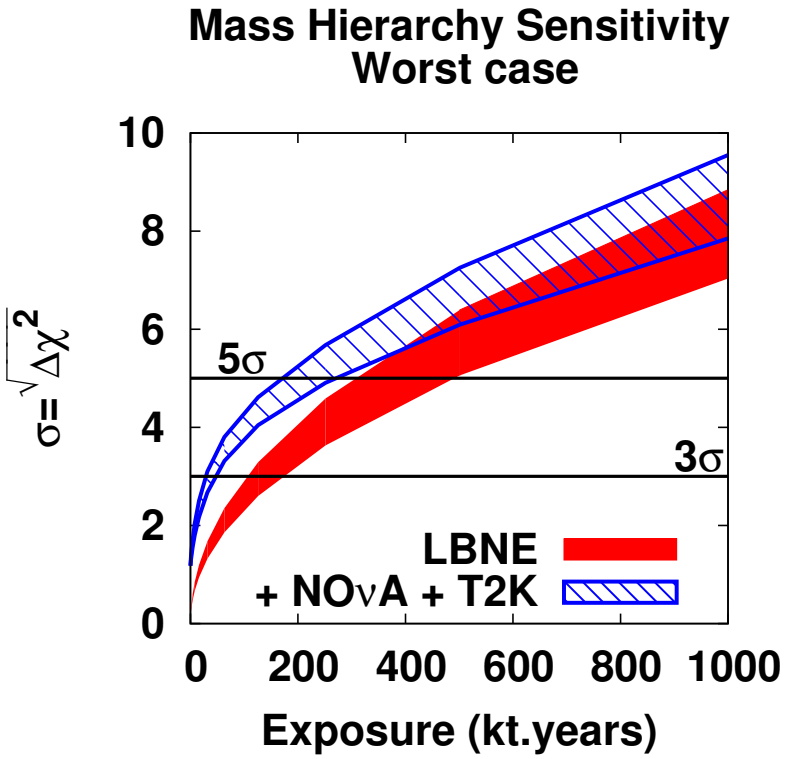
BNL scientific team (B. Viren, Z. Isvan, R. Hackenburg) assuming major roles in modeling, simulation and data analysis

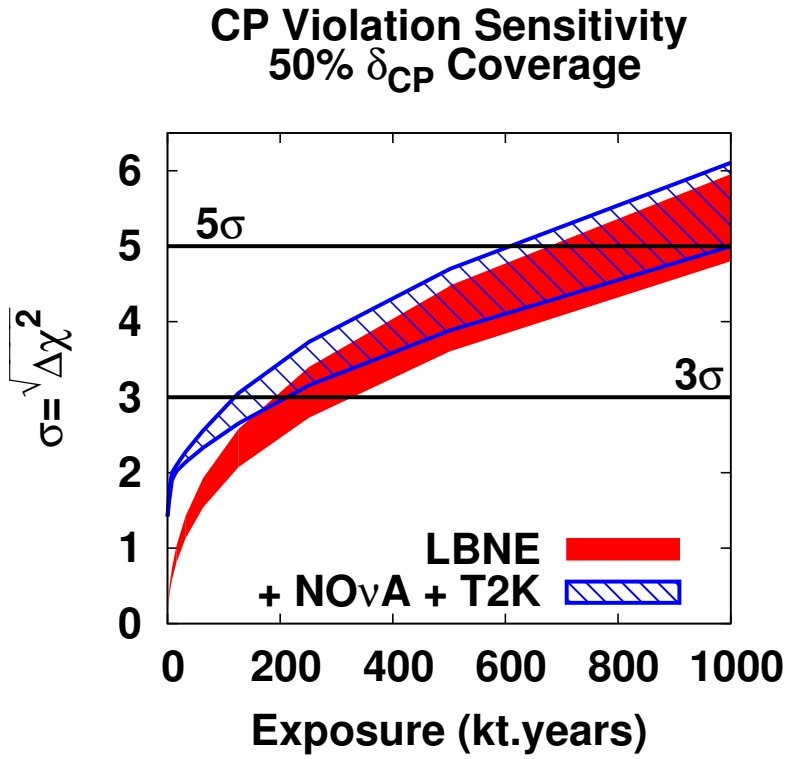
Co-ordinating with university groups

LBNE MH/CPV Sensitivities with 700kW Beam

E. Worcester, M. Bishai (BNL), M. Bass, W. Wilson, D. Cherdack (CSU)

NEW: modest beam improvements (band) = big impact on sensitivities





Need 100kt.yrs at 700kW to resolve MH with $\geq 3\sigma$

Need 200kt.yrs at 700kW to resolve CPV with $\geq 3\sigma$ for 50% δ_{cp}

M. Bishai (BNL) and S. Zeller (FNAL) long baseline physics working group co-conveners

Mass Hierarchy Statistical Evaluation

From BNL: J.J. Ling and C. Zhang

Statistical Evaluation of Experimental Determinations of Neutrino Mass Hierarchy

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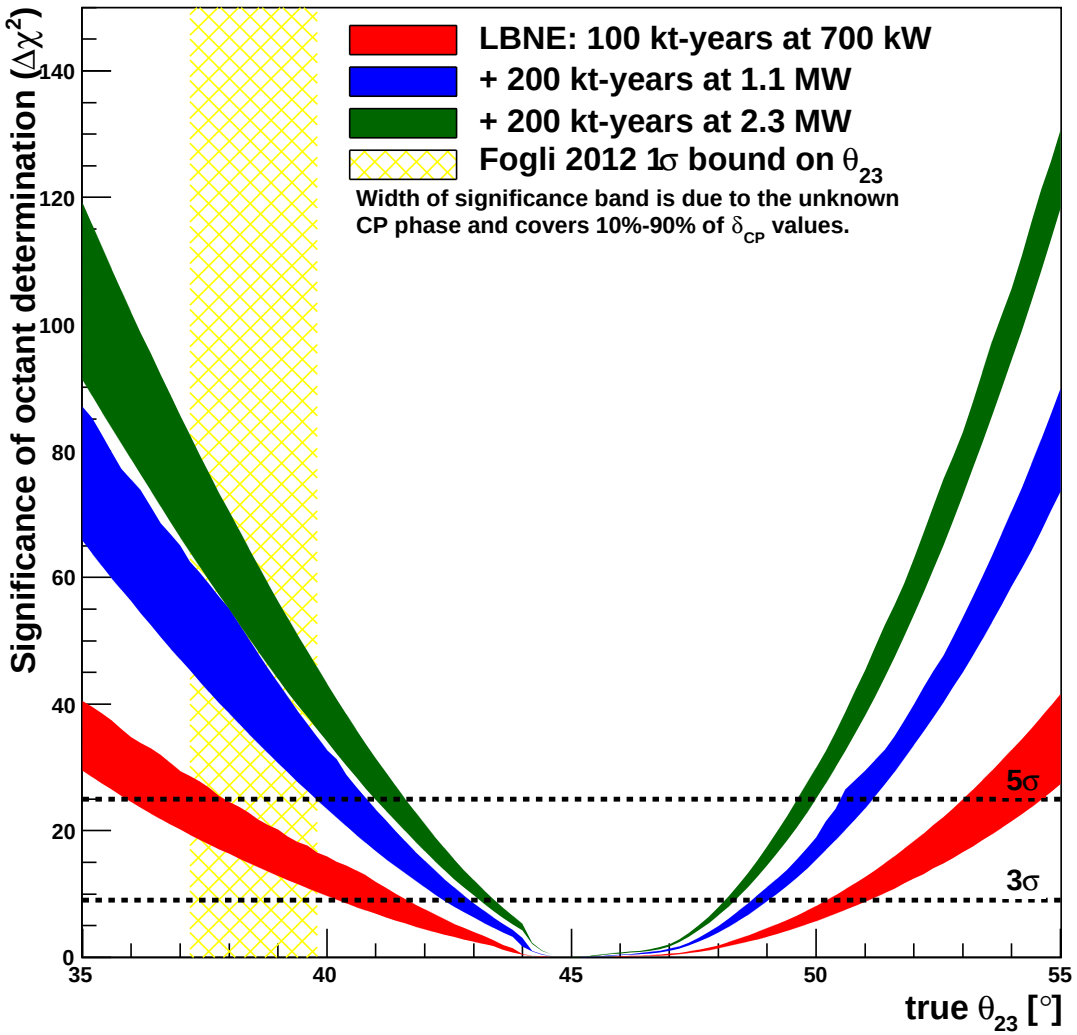
(Dated: December 6, 2012)

Statistical methods of presenting experimental results in constraining the neutrino mass hierarchy (MH) are discussed. Two problems are considered and are related to each other: how to report the findings for observed experimental data, and how to evaluate the ability of a future experiment to determine the neutrino mass hierarchy, namely, sensitivity of the experiment. For the first problem where experimental data have already been observed, the classical statistical analysis involves constructing confidence intervals for the parameter Δm^2_{32}. These intervals are deduced from the parent distribution of the estimation of Δm^2_{32} based on experimental data. Due to existing experimental constraints on $|\Delta m^2_{32}|$, the estimation of Δm^2_{32} is better approximated by a Bernoulli distribution (a Binomial distribution with 1 trial) rather than a Gaussian distribution. Therefore, the Feldman-Cousins approach needs to be used instead of the Gaussian approximation in constructing confidence intervals. Furthermore, as a result of the definition of confidence intervals, even if it is correctly constructed, its confidence level does not directly reflect how much one hypothesis of the MH is supported by the data rather than the other hypothesis. We thus describe a Bayesian approach that quantifies the evidence provided by the observed experimental data through the (posterior) probability that either one hypothesis of MH is true. This Bayesian presentation of observed experimental results is then used to develop several metrics to assess the sensitivity of future experiments. Illustrations are made using a simple example with a confined parameter space, which approximates the MH determination problem with experimental constraints on the $|\Delta m^2_{32}|$.

NEW: Octant Sensitivity in LBNE

E. Worcester (BNL), J. Kopp (FNAL)

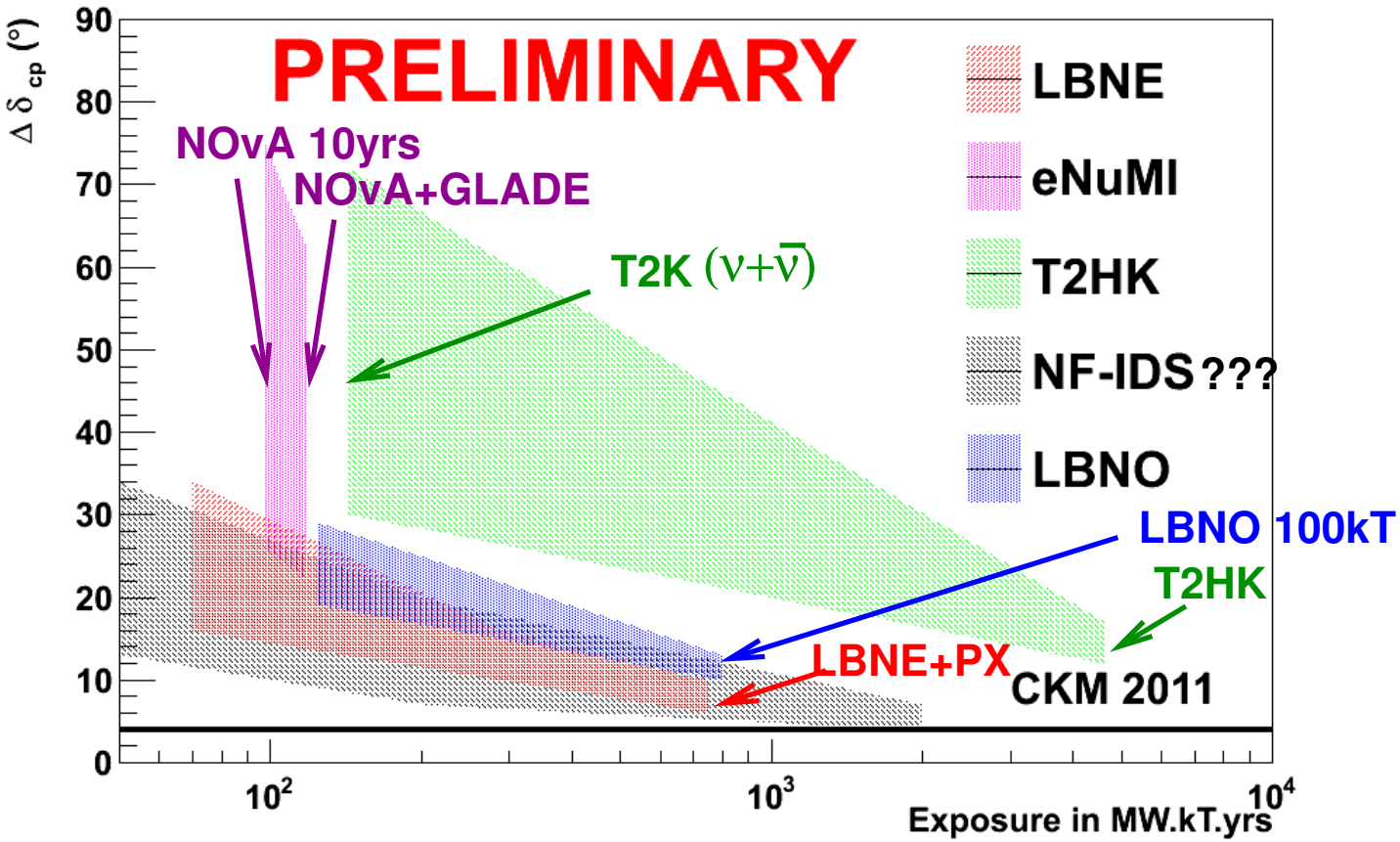
Octant Sensitivity



Resolution of δ_{cp}: Comparison with other Proposals

M. Bishai, CSS2013 subgroup co-convener

For Community Summer Study (AKA Snowmass) 2013:



Very long baseline superbeams (or NF) with MT.MW.yrs

= CKM precision

LBNE Summary and Future Plans